

REMARKS

The Official Action of March 19, 2008, and the references cited therein have been carefully considered. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks. Claims 11-20 have been canceled without prejudice and rewritten as new Claims 21-28. Support for this amendment is found in the specification, e.g. at page 1, line 19 to page 12, line 22; and the claims of the application as filed.

Claims 21-28 are pending in the application.

I. Objection to the Specification

The Specification stands objected to for failure to provide proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter.

Applicants respectfully assert that the specification provides proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter because definitions for such terms are provided elsewhere in the specification. Nevertheless, in the interest of compact prosecution, Applicants have amended the specification to refer to US Patent 6,900,215 which is the National Phase application which corresponds to the PCT Patent Publication WO-A-02074773.

Accordingly, the objection to the Specification has been overcome.

II. Objection to Claims 11, 13-16 and 18

Claims 11, 13-16 and 18 are objected to for containing non-elected subject matter. In accordance with the present amendment, the claims have been directed to the elected subject matter and this objection should be withdrawn.

III. Rejection of Claims 11-16 and 18 Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, First Paragraph

Claims 11-16 and 18 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, for lack of enablement.

The Examiner was concerned regarding improper incorporation by reference. Applicants respectfully assert that the specification fully enables the claimed subject matter, but in the interest of compact prosecution, they have amended the specification to refer to US Patent 6,900,215 which is the National Phase application which corresponds to the PCT Patent Publication WO-A-02074773. Because US Patent 6,900,215 is the National Phase application which corresponds to the PCT Patent Publication WO-A-02074773, such amendment does not contain any new matter.

Accordingly, the rejection of Claims 11-16 and 18 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, for lack of enablement has been overcome.

IV. Rejection of Claims 11-16 and 18 Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, First Paragraph

Claims 11-16 and 18 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, for lack of enablement.

The Examiner was concerned regarding enablement for compounds other than those with the definitions of the variables Y, Z and R1 as noted. Applicants respectfully assert that the specification fully enables the claimed subject matter, but in the interest of compact prosecution, they have amended the claims as requested by the Examiner.

Accordingly, the rejection of Claims 11-16 and 18 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, for lack of enablement has been overcome.

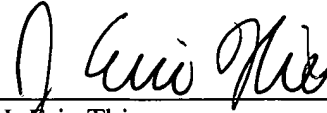
V. Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant gratefully acknowledge that Claim 17 is allowed.

Applicants respectfully contend that the application is allowable and a favorable response from the Examiner is earnestly solicited.

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